

## DEERHURST PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 25 February 2013, in Apperley Village Hall.

### **PRESENT:**

Councillors - P Andrews  
L Attard – Chairman  
E Checkley  
W Morris  
J Natrass  
J Pollard  
J Smith  
Mrs F Wallbank – Clerk  
County Councillor Awford  
PCSO Bill Wren (partial attendance)  
Jane Griffiths, Village Agent

Parishioners: 0

**1 APOLOGIES:** Borough Councillors Waters and Williams.

### **2 MINUTES OF MEETING:**

The minutes of the meeting held on the Monday, 28 January 2013, having been circulated with the agenda were agreed and signed.

**3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST: None**

**4 PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

The Chairman brought agenda item 6.8 forward:

**Police Matters:** PCSO Bill Wren said he was standing in for PCSO Emma Birch. He reported the following:

- 30 Jan: Dog worrying livestock. Attended and spoken to the owner of the dog.
- 9 Feb: Missing persons checks carried out, person found.
- 12 Feb: Vehicle found on private property, dealt with and vehicle removed
- 20 Feb: 3 people arrested for lamping in the area, investigation ongoing.

Reported that PC Di Butler was the Rural Crime Officer.

### **5 PLANNING:**

#### **5.1 Applications:**

**12/00739/FUL** 10 Severn Way, Apperley: Erection of bungalow to rear of No 10 Severn Way, Apperley

Decision by: 1.3.13

Comments to Tewkesbury Borough Council:

Deerhurst Parish Council **object** to this application for the following reasons:

- Concern about the drainage problems and do not feel that the proposal addresses this issue.
- The problem of the site levels do not seem to be addressed clearly and it is felt that some Apperley Park residents would be adversely impacted by this proposed development.
- The access to the main highway remains a problem, exacerbated by the width of the proposed access which precludes 2 way traffic.
- Concern at the precedent this may set if permission is granted.
- Concerns how the sewage and surface water will be dealt with.

If TBC decide to grant permission then the Parish Council would like the following conditions imposed:

1. A sustainable urban drainage system (SUDS) is used to deal with the surface water.

2. Boundary hedges with Apperley Park must remain at the current height.

**Councillor Smith declared a personal interest in the following application and took no further part:**

**13/00054/FUL** Land at Walton Hill, Deerhurst: Flood Defence Scheme for Deerhurst Walton.

Decision by 7.3.13

Comments to Tewkesbury Borough Council:

As the applicant the Parish Council has no adverse comments.

**13/00093/FUL** Rose Cottage, School Road, Apperley: Proposed single storey rear extension and side conservatory

Decision by 11.3.13

Comments to Tewkesbury Borough Council:

The Parish Council has no adverse comments to this application..

**12/01226/FUL** 17 Severn Way, Apperley: Dropped kerb

Decision by 12.3.13

Comments to Tewkesbury Borough Council:

The Parish Council has no adverse comments to this application.

**Counillor Checkley declared a personal interest in the following application and took no further part:**

**13/00152/FUL** Wick Farm, Wick Lane, Lower Apperley: Proposed first floor and single storey side extensions

Decision by 18.3.13

Comments to Tewkesbury Borough Council:

The Parish Council supports this application.

**5.2 TBC Decisions:** None

**5.3 Appeals/Appeal Decisions:** None to date

**5.4 Untidy Gardens:** No further update

**5.5 Enforcement Matters:** Following the last meeting County Councillor Awford and the Clerk contacted David Taylor, TBC about the fact that the monthly notification sheet never changes. David Taylor reported that he had lost the file but would re-open the case. He emailed to say that he has been to the site and found no evidence of recent development however he had arranged to return on the 15 March.

**Any Other Planning Matters:**

**Telephone Box:** Councillor Natrass reported that the “red box” in Apperley was in a very poor state of disrepair. Clerk to contact BT to find out what the status of the box was whether it had been decommissioned and available for adoption by the Parish Council for Village use. Councillor Checkley reported that she had made enquiries about adopting the “red box” in Deerhurst.

**6 MATTERS ARISING:**

**6.1 Review Standing Orders following adoption of Code of Conduct:** The Clerk had circulated the revisions to the Standing Orders prior to the meeting. These reflected changes following the adoption of the new Code of Conduct. Councillors agreed the changes.

**6.2 Proposed BMX Cycle Track at Apperley Village Hall:** The Clerk reported that insurance guidelines reported at last meeting still applied to a dirt bike track and needed to be constructed by a company who had public liability, would have to be built to the correct standards, would have to be inspected prior to use by a ROSPA approved inspector and regularly inspected.

The Clerk had spoken to Graham Ross at GPFA and sent him Scott Gibson’s revised sketch. His initial thoughts were that it was a bit tight with the play area and path to allotments. He offered to come to site and have a look meeting with members of the Parish Council and Scott Gibson. Clerk to arrange.

**6.3 Apperley Village Hall, Playing Field/ Play Area/Football Club:**

**Play Area:** The Clerk confirmed that she had received records of play area inspections from Brian Leeke which was excellent to have on file.

**Painting of Items:** This will be carried out in the Spring

**Hire of Playing Field by Morris Dancers:** No further update. The Clerk said that had still yet to obtain a draft contract.

**6.4 Highways: High Kerb outside Oaklands** – Nothing further to report

**A38 Pothole/Flooding:** The Clerk reported that she had emailed Richard Waters who had in fact picked these up himself. Councillors reported that some of the bad ones have been dealt with.

**Saw Pit Lane:** Pothole has returned. Clerk to report.

**Moore's Ground:** Potholes just before the entrance to Moore's Ground. Clerk to report.

**Apperley Drive:** Water running across the road down past the School. County Councillor Awford said he would raise this with Richard Waters on his tour of the villages.

**Deerhurst:** Opposite the old school there is a dip in the tarmac and causes the water to pond. Again County Councillor said he would include this on his tour of the villages.

**Signage in Floods:** County Councillor Awford reported that during the last flood there were problems with signage at Tirley regarding the closure of the road. This was rectified.

**6.5 Deerhurst Walton Flood Alleviation Scheme:** The Clerk reported that she was still chasing Jason Westmoreland for payment to enable her to release the cheque to Parkwood Consultants.

**6.6 Public Rights of Way:** Councillor Pollard reported some of the work he had discussed with Ian Soule and Ken Samuel had been put in place and also a number of footpath signs were broken.

**6.7 Playing Fields – Renewal of Lease:** The Clerk reported that shortly after the last meeting she had received an email from Andrew Leeke apologising for the lack of progress due to problems with creating a plan. He said that the Village Hall has or will stray over its boundary into the Parish Council land and he needs a plan agreed between the two organisations as to the exact extent of their respective freehold land which will cater for the proposed extension for the Village Hall. Once the plan is agreed he will be able to apply to the Land Registry to register both titles. He will obtain the necessary OS plan to include the Village Hall pond and will see whether he or someone with surveying skills can sort this plan out. The Clerk suggested that she arranged a meeting between the PC, APVH and DPFA but was waiting to hear back from Andrew Leeke.

**6.8 Police Matters** See above.

## 7 FINANCIAL MATTERS:

### 7.1 Accounts for payment and receipts

Mrs F J Wallbank –

Salary for 1-28 February 2013	287.24		
Less Tax	<u>57.40</u>	229.84	Cheque No: 000662

Inland Revenue – Tax for FJW		57.40	Cheque No: 000663
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Apperley Village Hall – cost of meeting Held on 28.1.13		15.00	Cheque No: 000664
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Countrywide Grounds Maintenance Cutting of football pitch 17.1.13	30.00		
	<u>VAT 6.00</u>	36.00	Cheque No: 000665

<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>£338.24</b>	
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### Receipts

Football Club		60.00	
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GCC – contribution towards grass cutting		1279.80	
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<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>£1339.80</b>	
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**7.2 Financial Statement:** Noted and signed by the Chairman.

## **8 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT:**

- GCC has set their budget – no increase. Managed to save £114M that was required. An extra £3M will be allocated for roads and £1M to encourage people to foster children
- Police have put up their precept by 2% which equates to £4 on a band D property.
- Gave an update on the flooding in Severn Way.
- M5 Junction 10: Meeting took place of the statutory agencies in respect of the possible creation of an all ways junction. At the meeting the Highways Agency advised that they needed to get on with the repairs as soon as possible and these would be carried out in a manner to minimise impact on traffic flows on the A4019. They will be undertaking a consultation exercise with local communities before the works commence

## **9 BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT: Not present**

## **10 CORRESPONDENCE: None**

## **11 MATTERS RAISED FOR NOTIFICATION:**

**Food Bank:** Jane Griffiths reported that a Food Bank service to be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Tewkesbury from 12-2pm, will commence on the 6 April. People will be able to obtain 3 days' worth of food. Jane will hold vouchers along with other Care Professions and Police.

**Annual Parish Meeting:** This is to be held on Monday 22 April 2013 and it was agreed that the Clerk would ask the usual groups to attend and report on the year's activities. In addition it was agreed to invite Richard Waters - GCC Highways, David Steels - Land Drainage Officer at TBC, Di Butler, -Rural Crime Officer for Tewkesbury and Glos Fire and Rescue.

**Crime Partnership Meeting:** Councillor Pollard said that he had attended this

## **12 DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: Monday, 25 March 2013 at 7.15pm**

The meeting closed 8.57pm.